

## Message Text

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ACTION OES-04

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 SS-15 ACDA-05 SP-02 FEA-01

ERDA-05 AID-05 CEA-01 CIAE-00 CIEP-01 COME-00 DODE-00

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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TECH CA

SUBJECT: USE OF PNES TO RECOVER OIL FROM TAR SANDS IN CANADA

REF: STATE 42178

1. EMBOFF RAISED SUBJECT MATTER INFORMALLY WITH EXTAFF OFFICIAL (ENERGY DIVISION) WHO CONFIRMED THAT FEBRUARY 6 CARRUTHERS ARTICLE WAS CORRECT IN ALL IMPORTANT RESPECTS AND ACCURATELY REPRESENTED THE VIEWS OF THE AECB AND OTHER INTERESTED GOC AGENCIES.

2. EXTAFF OFFICIAL STATED THAT PHOENIX HAD WRITTEN TO EXTAFF AND OTHER FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS LAST SUMMER OFFERING TO BRIEF THEM ON ITS PLANS FOR PNE USES IN THE TAR SANDS. THE GOC ATTITUDE AT THE TIME (AND TO THIS DATE) WAS THAT THE PHOENIX PLANS WERE NOT REPEAT NOT AS FULLY DEVELOPED AS PHOENIX WOULD HAVE OTHERS BELIEVE AND THE GOC CONTINUES TO HAVE SEVERE DOUBTS ABOUT THE PROJECT FROM THE SAFETY VIEWPOINT AND CANADA'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE NPT. EXTAFF OFFICIAL, HOWEVER, REFUSED TO TOTALLY RULE OUT ANY POSSIBLE PNE USE AT SOME FUTURE TIME.

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3. ON FEBRUARY 4, ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT MINISTER YURKO WAS REPORTED IN THE OTTAWA JOURNAL TO HAVE TOLD THE ALBERTAN LEGISLATURE THAT THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HAD REFUSED AN AECB OFFER TO PLACE A REPRESENTATIVE ON A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE PHOENIX PROPOSAL. HE REPORTEDLY STATED THAT EXPERIMENTS WITH NUCLEAR BLASTS WOULD CONSTITUTE "A MENACE NOT NECESSARY TO IMPOSE ON ALBERTANS AS YET".  
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